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PATENT

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INVENTOR(S) : Hippe et al.

TITLE : METHOD OF HOT-REPAIRING THE  
HEATING FLUES OF A COKE-  
OVEN BATTERY AND DEVICE FOR  
CARRYING OUT SAID METHOD

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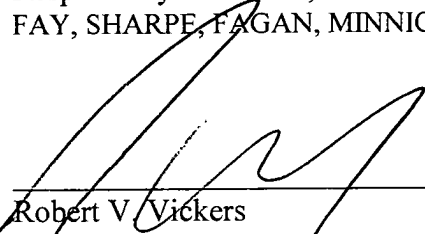
Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance dated November 29, 2005, applicant submits the following comments set forth below.

Applicants do not agree that one or more reasons stated by the examiner for allowance of any of the claims during the prosecution of the above-identified patent application are the only reasons for allowance of such claims. Further, applicants do not acquiesce to any statements made in the Examiner's reasons for allowance. Therefore, while applicants believe the claims are allowable, applicant does not acquiesce that patentability resides in only the features and/or reasons identified by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,  
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